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Where the dainty clothes are lying
That my darling shall never wear;
And there, while the hours are waiting,
Till the house is all at rest,
I sit, and fancy a baby
Close to my aching breast.

My darling's pretty white garments,
I wrought them while sitting apart,
While his mystic life was throbbing
Under my throbbing heart;
And often my happy dreaming
Breaks in a little song,
Like the murmur of birds at brooding,
When the days are warm and long.

I finished the dainty wardrobe,
And the drawer was almost full
With robes of the finest mullin,
And robes of the whitest flannel.
I folded them all together,
With a rose for every pair,
Smiling, and saying, "Grow fragrant,
Fit for my prince to wear."

Ah! the radiant Summer morning,
So full of a mother's joy!
"Thank God! he is fair and perfect,
My beautiful new-born boy."
Let him wear the pretty white garments
I wrought while sitting apart—
Lay him, so sweet and helpless,
There, close to my throbbing heart.

Many and many an evening
I sit since my baby came,
Saying, "What do the angels call him?"
For he did without a name;
Sit while the hours are waiting,
And the house is all at rest,
And fancy a baby nestling
Close to my aching breast.

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CHAPTER XXVII.
LEARNING TO SING.

The congratulations Mary received
from me were no more cordial than those
she had once written for my pleasure,
and I said, "But, never jealous,
over forgiving of any seeming coldness on
the part of her friends, she made haste
to reply, writing that it was strange I
had asked no questions, but, if entirely
convenient, she would visit me soon and
tell me all. She was particularly desir-
ous to come now, on account of her hos-
pital patient, wishing to watch farther
the healing of his wounds, and believing
that her advice would still be of use to
him.

"The assurance of a beginner! and
strange that Mary should be so lacking
in delicacy!" were my comments.

I replied that it was perfectly conven-
ient, but invited her to come with little
of urgency, and few expressions of plea-
sure. Those I did use were such as I
tried to feel.

Robert was pretty much confined to
the house, and mother called upon him
and soon after his return. Before he was
wounded I had again fallen into the habit
of visiting Mrs. Summerland frequently,
but after that and his revelations, had
gone only so often as seemed necessary in
keeping up our friendship; to stay away
altogether would excite wonder—perhaps
suspicion of the truth. And I knew that
I must continue to go occasionally now,
although I had no greater dread than
meeting Robert, for such a meeting might
betray me. They had many visitors at
that time, and my staying away would not
be noticed, so I stayed until apprised of
Mary's visit, and then decided to make
my first call with her.

This necessity led to serious thoughts
of my position which frightened me and
made me ashamed. Was this to contin-
ue? Was life to be spoiled so? I knew
that Aunt Murdock had spoken truly
when she said that there was much to
live for though one should never take
upon herself the name of wife. And
many true women were walking the earth
alone, patiently bearing their burdens,
and finding the way flower-strewn and
sunny, as much as any can. Could I not
be thus courageous also? And who could
find more to live for and enjoy than I?

Aside from the dear parents and broth-
ers whom I could help and who helped
me, the many friends I loved and found
loving, there was a career already begun,
a height to reach.

I had been successful in music beyond
most who receive like advantages. The
voice my Maker gave me was a great and
precious gift—I could say it truthfully
and without pride. It had power and
sweetness, and much as it had learned to
do, would yet be able to accomplish far
more. My fingers were already skill-
ful, in the future they should be better
skilled; I had mastered something of the
science of harmony, I would go to its
depths and learn the meaning of all mu-
sic. I would also study other sounds of
earth, its hoarse discords, chromatic jars,
perfect accords and soaring melodies;
the groans of the burdened, the replings
of the discontented, the fellowship of
kindred minds, the exaltation of the vic-
tor—these were music, too, of strange
construction which sometime I would
be able to learn—there it not here, and out
of such lessons, whether mortal I would
make a good advance in the employment to
be followed when we put on immortali-
ty. It was plain that I was to sing
solos, but if I could make them clear and
sweet, if I could reach the high notes and
dwell there with unbroken voice, sing-
ing soft and strong although so high, and

one down to the lower with tone still
and true, this were worth all it cost,
his would be high honor. But either
in melodies or harmonies, wherever a
part should be assigned me, by the help
of God I would sing.

I made this resolution on one of those
mountains of transfiguration which we all
sometimes ascend, with a valley just be-
hind, but it was made deliberately, and
ever since I have striven more or less
earnestly to keep it. But if it has
been kept, if I have always sung, there
have been minor strains and many that
were sadly discordant.

Music was a source of revenue to me
only in teaching, and I seldom sang or
played in public except in church. Hav-
ing acquired some reputation as a vocal-
ist, a tempting offer had come from a
church in a neighboring city to make me
one of its choir on a good salary, but
mother thought it not wise for me to
accept. My gifts however were frequen-
tly called into requisition in private. I
was much sought, often invited out often-
er, it is to be feared, because I could so
easily help to entertain, than because of
personal worth or from motives of friend-
ship. The fear that this would be the
case was an incentive to more thorough
general culture, careful attention to the
demands of society, and endeavors to
make myself pleasing and worthy to
please, for I wished to be esteemed rather
than what I was than for what I could
do. I had therefore no lack of attention,
and gossipers were wondering why Charity
Boston did not marry, and saying that
she would go through the woods and
pick up a crooked stick at last.

In accordance with my resolution, the
love of Robert was put away, buried,
and I dared to meet him when Mary
came. She wanted to go to him on the
same evening of her arrival, so soon that
it seemed a good deal like using our house
as a hotel and as though the visit was not
to me but to him. Mrs. Summerland
met us with great cordiality, complained
that I had staid away long, and thanked
Mary for being so kind to her son. Robert
appeared to feel some embarrassment
in meeting me, but glad to see Mary
and to have been expecting her. She
sat down beside him, examined his
arm and talked in a very doctor-like yet
pleasant way, when they were interrupted
by the coming of Mr. Kingsley and
the conversation, becoming general, turned
upon Robert's experiences in the army.
The topic evidently was not pleasing to
him.

"I am curious to know," said our
friend, "what your work was. I can imagine
something of the excitement of a battle,
and that there men should become reck-
less of human life, but if I understand it,
you had not these to help you. Your
aim must have been deliberate; you must
have kept a cool brain and steady hand.
What was your feeling in this taking
aim at a fellow being?—what when your
man fell?"

"I do not like to think of it," Robert
said, "while a look of pain came over his
face. 'If you would judge for yourself,
imagine what would be your own feeling
in aiming at the man who would take the
life of your mother. The cases are not
quite analogous, because the sharpshooter
was there for deliberation, and where you
would be moved by any as well as a
sense of obligation, he feels chiefly sorrow
and the promptings of duty. Except
from these I never drew my rifle. And
as we were never alone, it might have
been the shot of a comrade, not mine
that took effect. I have always liked to
think that possibly it was another that
did the deed, yet I did my best.
Perhaps there is reason to be grateful
that these wounds release me from the
dreadful obligation, but obligation I
should still consider it, if my limbs were
strong."

Mr. Kingsley went away and Robert
and Mary resumed their conversation,
into which they endeavored to draw us,
but which did not greatly interest me,
and I began to be impatient to come
away. But the return of Mrs. Beach
made me glad to remain a little longer, so
that Mary might see and hear her. She
was only Mrs. Summerland's tenant, not
one of her family, and instead of going
directly to her room, as was her custom,
she took a seat with us. Robert men-
tioned Tim Woodenhead, who had also
been in the hospital under Mary's care
for a short time.

"If that man's got a name why don't
ye call him by it?" said Mrs. Beach.

"It would be quite sensible to do so if
one could find what it is," he replied.

"He appears to like this, however."

"Is the given name Timothy?"

"He says so."

"Wall, that's a very good Bible name
if a body'll live up to it. Where did the
man come from?"

"He would never tell, but claimed to
be a citizen of the world."

"Citizen of the world! what's that?"

Before an answer could be given a
strange rapping was heard at the door of
the kitchen. We all started, and Mrs.
Beach sprang from her seat, exclaiming,
"Mercy! what a noise!" and hastened to
open the door.

There stood an elderly man in blue
army coat and cape, and slouched hat
partly hiding his face.

"Does a man by the name of Summer-
land live here?"

"Of course he does; but he's sick and
you'd better look out how you go round
making such noises, scarin' folks."

"And who be you?"

"I'm Mrs. Ann Beach, thank yer hon-
or, and a match for you, if you've come
here for anything bad."

The man stopped back and looked her
steadily in the face.

"Don't you believe I am? What do
you want of Robert?"

"I want to see him."

"Wall, come in here and behave your-
self."

The stranger, as he followed her into

the room, lifted his hat to the back of
his head, but did not take it off.

"Tim!" exclaimed both Robert and
Mary, rising, while the man took great
strides forward to his friend.

"How are you, old feller? D'y'e think
I'd foller ye home? And Miss Moulton
too—who'd ha' thought the hospital would
ha' been moved up here?"

"This is no hospital, Tim, I am al-
most well again, and Miss Moulton, be-
ing on a visit to a friend in town is kind
enough to give me a little attention
still."

She alms was that. Precious little
attention the rest of us got from her, you
took up all her time so. Say, old fellow,
were you so hard to take care of?"

"I suppose so; but, Tim, what sends
you here? Take of your hat, sit down
and tell us about yourself."

"I came to see you and will take off my
hat when I say I can stay all night.
Can you keep me, ma'am?" addressing
Mrs. Beach.

"I ain't the woman. There's his moth-
er—ask her."

"Mother and Miss Boston, my friend
Tim Woodenhead. You will let him
stay here?"

"Of course, Robert," replied Mrs. Sum-
merland.

"I thought you was the woman," said
Tim, looking at Mrs. Beach as he took
off his hat and heavy overcoat, "but if
you ain't, maybe you can tell me where
to put these things?"

"I'll hang 'em in the kitchen. I don't
want you goin' out there."

As soon as Ann was out of the room
the man jumped up and, putting his
mouth to Robert's ear, said in a loud
whisper.

"That's my wife! that's my wife, that
sent me off years ago, when we was first
married. Do ye think she'll have me
now?"

We had all heard the whisper distinct-
ly, and eagerly waited to see what would
follow, so eagerly that Mary and I forgot
about going home.

"Your wife!" said Robert.

"Yes sir; I'm Timothy Beach and no
wooden head; any as beech is wood. Ye
see the name came handy."

We heard Mrs. Beach coming and the
man hastened back to his seat with amu-
sing quickness, and when she was fairly
at the door was in his place as quiet as
though he had sat there during her ab-
sence.

"How is it, Summerland, getting
well?"

"Improving rapidly, thank you. I
shall probably be able to do much
of bones time to knit firmly I think
they will be strong as ever by and by."

"Wall, I hope so." Then turning, "you
told me your name was Beach, ma'am,
Mrs. Ann Beach."

"It so, whether I said so or not."

"Where is your husband, Timothy
Beach, ma'am?"

"I hope he knows, I don't."

"You sent him away, did you ma'am?"

"What is it to you whether I did or
not or what do you care what has become
of him?"

"If he had repented, ma'am, and be-
come a very exemplary man, ma'am,
would you take him back?"

"I'd find out first whether he had or
not."

"Perfectly right, ma'am, very commend-
able. And if he had—"

"Why, then I'd see about it. 'Tain't
always easy for a lone woman to be
working here and there, running at every
body's beck and call to get a living. But
what a fool I am to be telling all these
things to you. What do you know about
Timothy Beach?"

"That is true, ma'am. I have repented
of my evil deeds, as that man there,
who I hope is some relation to you, can
affirm. And as I heard I had a wife
alive I came to ask her forgiveness and
be taken back. I'm no wooden head,
ma'am I only had 'em call me so."

"Then you are different from what you
used to be; but you must prove it. I'll
take advice."

I felt quite guilty for hearing so much
of this dialogue, greatly as it interested
me, and we took our leave. Mrs. Sum-
merland told us the rest.

"You've made a fool of me!" Mrs.
Beach said. "You ain't Timothy Beach
at all. You don't look like him. His
hair was black and didn't grow all over
his face; he had bright eyes and wasn't
nigh so old."

"Have you looked in the glass lately,
ma'am? Your hair was pretty dark then
but if I see right!"—he went to her and
examined her hair—"there's whitish
streaks in it now. I expect about the
same time has gone by since I went away
as since you sent me off. Time has got
vintage, ma'am, and he flies. He's got
a sickle and is slowly cuttin' us down,
ma'am. But you hold your age remark-
ably well. I should ha' known you any-
where. There's the same bright eyes
lighted up with soul, ma'am, the same
benevolent expression."

"No, Timothy, don't talk nonsense."

"It's no nonsense, ma'am, I'm speakin'
my convictions."

"Wall, I do believe 'tis you. That's
jest your way of makin' folks believe
what they've no business to. If you
hadn't such a kind o' persuasive way you
and I never'd had all this trouble. Wall
I'll see. I'll take advice. I'm all jum-
bled up now. Who would ha' thought
it—that my Timothy would come back,
clothed and in his right mind! Miss
Summerland, I'll fix my bed, and you
jest put Timothy in it to sleep to night,
and I'll run over to Miss Doolittle's and
lie on her lounge."

"That is quite unnecessary, Ann. We
have beds enough."

"But this my company, not yourn, and
I want my way. He's been travelin'
and wants a comfortable place. And I
shouldn't sleep a wink in this house,
thinkin' he was here."

As we walked home, and after we had

told the news to father and mother, Mary
asked many questions concerning Mrs.
Beach and the Summerlands, and when
we went to our room, I said:

"You have changed greatly since I
first knew you."

"How changed?"

"It seems to me that you have come
nearer to a practical belief in the truth
that God made of one blood all that
dwell upon the earth. Isn't it so?"

"I don't know. The tendency of my
profession is that way, but I was not
aware that I had made any great advance
in that direction, as yet. What have you
discovered in me?"

"Once you would not have taken the
interest in Mrs. Beach and Tim that you
do now, they being beneath you in the
social scale; you are willing to overlook
the fact that Mrs. Summerland makes
tailor clothes, and ready to marry a man
who used to work by the month on a
farm."

"Why, how do you know that? Who
has told you?"

"Having eyes, I see."

"I cannot understand how. But it is
so long since, and being satisfied with
what he is now, I don't care. After all I
still wish my grandmother hadn't made
tailor clothes, so my advance's not great.
I am surprised that you know so much,
but we are both too tired to talk to-night
to-morrow I will tell you all about it and
you shall tell me where your information
came from."

It was not without a pang that I heard
Mary confess that I had guessed rightly.
To know a bitter truth is worse than to
surmise it, but in accordance with the
resolution already made, it should not
embitter my life. If I could not sing now
I would learn to sing, learn to be happy
whatever might come to warble as the
robins do amid the snows of spring,
in the sunny morning when the rains
fall, or when evening is coming on. And,
thinking of this, I could understand why
the employments of the blissful hereafter
are given to us as striking harps and sing-
ing praises. To be ever thankful and
happy is the hardest as well as the sweet-
est of all earth's lessons, but to learn it
is to learn the song that fills heaven.

(To be continued.)

An Eloquent Speech.

A lady correspondent sends us, says
an exchange, the following speech, which,
in the presentation of facts, is unusually
forcible. And we hope it will be read
somewhere with great effect. It is nearly
verbatim as delivered:

"I have been thinking since I came
into the meeting to-night, about the
losses I've met with since I signed the
total abstinence pledge. I tell you, there
isn't a man in the society has lost more
by stopping drink, than what I have.
Wait a bit till I tell you what I mean.
There was a nice job of work to be done
in the shop to-day, and the boss called
for me. 'Give it to Law,' says he. 'He's
the best hand in the shop.' Well, I told
my wife at supper time, and says she,
'Why, Law, he used to call you the
worst.' You've lost your head, name,
haven't you? 'That's a fact,' says he,
'And it ain't all I've lost in the
sixteen months, either. I had
poverty and wretchedness and I lost
them. I had a ragged old coat, and a
shockin' bad hat, and some waterproof
boots that let the water out at the toe
as fast as they took it in at the heel. I've
lost them. I had a red face and trem-
bling hand, and a pair of shaggy legs that
gave me an awkward tumble now and
then. I had a habit of cursing and swear-
ing, and I've got rid of that. I had an
aching head sometimes, and a heavy
heart; and, worse than all the rest, a
guilty conscience. Thank God! I've
lost them all. Then I told my wife
what she had lost. 'You had an old rag-
ged gown,' says she. 'And you had
trouble and sorrow, and a poor wretched
home, and plenty of heart aches, for I
had a miserable drunkard for a husband.
Mary! Mary! thank the Lord for all
you and I have lost since I signed the
Good Samaritan pledge.'"

"I wish that I had some good
friends to help me on in life," cried little
Dennis with a yawn.

"Good friends! why you have ten,"
replied his master.

"I'm sure I haven't half so many, and
those I have are too poor to help me."

"Count your fingers, my boy," said his
master.

Dennis looked at his large, strong
hands.

"Count thumbs and all," added his
master.

"I have; there are ten," said the lad.

"Then never say you have not got
ten good friends able to help you on in
life."

"Try what those true friends can do
before you begin grumbling and fret-
ting because you do not get help from
others."

"If you are not your own friend it is
foolish to expect others to befriend you.
Providence helps those only who help
themselves."

"A German physiologist has dis-
covered that tobacco smoking by boys
"interferes with the molecular changes
coincident with development of tissues,
and makes the blood corpuscles oval and
irregular on the edge." Any parent can
thus ascertain if a boy smokes by merely
taking out a handful of his blood cor-
puscles and observing their edges.—Dan-
bury News.

"If a man bequeathed you \$100,
would you pray for him?" said a Sunday-
school teacher to a pupil. "No," said he,
"I would pray for another like him."

THE DEAF-MUTE DEPARTMENT.

[In order to give our deaf-mute friends
more reading matter this week, we trans-
fer their Department to the FOURTH
page.

AT HOME.

Wives.

Consider it your religious duty to take
out-door exercise without fail each day.
Sweeping and trotting round the house
will not take its place; the exhilaration
of the open air and change of scene are
absolutely necessary. Oh, I know all
about Lucy's gown that is not finished,
and Tommy's jacket, and even his coat
—his buttonless coat thrown into your
lap, as if to add the last ounce to the
camel's back; still I say, Up and out. Is
it not more important that your children
in their tender years should not be left
motherless, and that they should not be
born to that feeble constitution of body
which will blight every blessing? Let
buttons and strings go. You will take
hold of them with more vigor and pa-
tience when you return, bright and re-
freshed; and if every stitch is not fin-
ished at such a moment—and it is dis-
couraging not to be able to sympathize
in your best effort—still remember that
"she who hath done what she could" is
entitled to no mean praise. Your hus-
band is undoubtedly the best of men,
though there are malicious people who
might answer that that was not saying
much for him. Still, he would never, to
the end of time, dream of what you are
doing of. So accept my advice and take
the matter in hand yourself.—To Day.

Quilts and Counterpanes.

The warmest, lightest, best, and conse-
quently the most expensive bed covering
is an eider-down quilt, made of the best
down put into a silken covering. A
number of cotton counterpanes piled one
on the other would fatigue the sleeper,
and not impart a tinge of the warmth
of down or sheep's wool. It is a mis-
take to imagine that a pile of clothes
will impart heat. Warmth is produced
in the human body, and the object should
be to retain that heat, by adopting such
clothes as will, with a due regard to ven-
tilation, prevent much of it from escap-
ing. Sheep's wool, either as blankets,
flannel, or woven damask, will do this;
also feathers, down and furs. The next
counterpane to notice is the Massilian
quilt, sometimes termed Marseilles and
Marocchino. These on the surface, are
made in imitation of the old-fashioned
quilting of old blankets between chintz
and white linen, which were formerly
so prized. These Massilian quilts are
comfortable, light and elegant. Servants'
colored cotton quilts, if of tolerable qual-
ity, are both soft and warm. They are
not so finely woven as others, and the
material being less dressed in the manu-
facture, is more stuffy and warmer. Sup-
posing that economy is strictly necessary,
and that a quilt, however poor, cannot
be purchased, warmth in bed may be ob-
tained by lining a sheet or other calico
article, no matter how old, with brown
paper, first well crumpled and rubbed to
render it soft. The warmth this pro-
duces is almost incredible, because it does
—Cassell's Household Guide.

RECIPIES.

BREAKFAST MUFFINS.—To be poured
into hot gem pans and baked in a quick
oven. 1 pint sweet milk, 2 eggs, 1 pint
flour, a pinch of salt; beat for twenty
minutes; you will find them crisp and
delicate.

BREAD OMELET.—Put into a stew-pan
a teaspoonful of bread crumbs, one tea-
spoonful of cream, one tablespoonful of
butter, with salt, pepper and nutmeg;
when the bread has absorbed the cream
work in two beaten eggs; beat them a
little with the mixture; fry on an omelet
pan and roll up.

FRENCH MUSTARD.—Slice up an onion
in a bowl

News of the Week.

The stormy weather, which has greatly interfered with the success of the Vienna Exhibition since its opening, culminated in a gale on Thursday, which blew in a portion of the west front. Several visitors were injured by falling glass, and the goods on exhibition were deluged with torrents of water. Owing to the panic on the Bourse, a feeling of gloom pervades Vienna, and the visitors to the exhibition are all foreigners.

The Shah of Persia will soon arrive at Vienna. He is accompanied by his cabinet and three of his wives. It is estimated that his trip to Europe will cost £5,000,000.

There was a vast conflagration in Hong Kong, China, March 22, by which forty-four acres of buildings were burned.

During the portion of March Osa, Japan, was visited first by a vast conflagration and next by two violent shocks of earthquake.

The census of the police shows that there are 8,403 places in New York city where liquor is sold.

At the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church, in session in Baltimore on Saturday, Doctor Backus, of the Cumberland Presbyterian, appeared and made an address, urging a union of the two branches of the Church, and suggested that a committee be appointed to consult with a like committee to be appointed by the Cumberland Assembly, in Huntsville, Alabama. Doctor Crosby replied in a felicitous manner, and the Assembly took a recess for congratulating Doctor Backus.

Snow fell in the north of England on Sunday.

Don Carlos has taken the field in person.

Forty-four houses were destroyed and thirty-six people killed, at Piscoabamba, Peru, early in April, by a landslide from the mountain.

Seven thousand eight hundred and fifty-two immigrants landed at Castle Garden, on Monday.

Daniel Ames of Harper's Ferry, the husbands of Mary Clemmer Ames, the authoress, is to be appointed agent for the Red Lake band of Chippewas.

Evaporator No. 2 of the Wabash Elevator Company at Toledo was burned. One hundred and twenty-five thousand bushels of oats and 5,000 bushels of corn were destroyed. Loss on elevator and contents, \$170,000.

Senator Sumner is reported as growing stronger and as hopeful of resuming active work by the middle of the summer. He will go to Boston from Washington in June. Only the peremptory orders of his physician prevented Mr. Sumner from attending Chief Justice Chase's funeral and acting as pall bearer.

Rev. Edward Sullivan, pastor of Trinity Episcopal church at Chicago, Sunday requested a reporter of the Chicago Times who had previously criticised his congregation, to desist from reporting his sermon and retire from the church. The latter declining, Sullivan again ceased preaching and insisted upon his request being complied with, which was finally done. The affair occasioned considerable excitement.

A servant girl fired her employer's house in Philadelphia eleven times on Thursday night, and killed three persons.

The Jefferson County Republican Convention, in session at Sarnsbury, Ohio, adopted a resolution denouncing the action of the Forty-second Congress in passing the "back salary bill," a discreditable plundering of the public Treasury, and declaring that the members who voted in favor of it justly forfeited the confidence of the people.

The Drummond Colliery fire is now believed to have been nearly extinguished, and all fear of additional devastation has subsided.

George Williamson, the ex-confederate colonel of Louisiana, has been appointed minister to the South American republics, and will receive his final instructions from Washington very soon and then sail at once for Aspinwall. This mission is comprised of Guatemala, Costa Rica, Honduras, San Salvador and Nicaragua. Heretofore there have been ministers resident at all of these places, receiving annually \$7,500, each. The new minister to the consolidated States will receive \$10,000 annually, being a saving of \$27,000 in salaries alone.

A great struggle is said to be prevailing in Shamokin, Pennsylvania, for the possession of over ten thousand acres in the anthracite coal region, valued at twenty millions; one party has burned three houses which the other side erected and retaliation is now threatened. O. H. Wheeler, of New York, represents one side and the Reading railroad the other.

London specials report much satisfaction expressed in financial circles over the Legislative Erie report, which is calculated to diminish the distrust heretofore felt in American railway legislation.

The colored journeymen mechanics of Raleigh have struck. They insist upon nine hours as a day's work. The employers are determined to resist the demand, and the strike is likely to be protracted.

Lawyer's Duties to Clients and People.

Prof Theodore W. Dwight, of Clinton in his remarks to the graduating class of Columbia College Law School last week, uttered sentiments eminently sensible and worthy the consideration of most legal gentlemen. He said:

I wish to point out to you some of the duties which all lawyers owe to society and to the State. The duties of the lawyer to his client are not of first importance. The idea, sometimes so general in the profession, that a client may demand everything, even the sacrifice of honor, from the counsel, is not sound. The sanction which Lord Brougham was alleged to have given it, it has now lost, for that famous threat with which Brougham sought to force his King into doing his wronged wife justice only meant that even the public welfare was of less account than the truth. When, therefore, a lawyer's obligations to his client clash with his obligations to society, the client and not society must give way. It is in making and interpreting legislation that the profession exerts most influence upon the State—may do it the greatest injury or secure it the greatest good. This is a work which only legal training can fit man successfully to perform, and it is a work which offers to able and corrupt men peculiar temptation and peculiar opportunities to sacrifice public to private interest.

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In the town of Parish, May 15, Mrs. Mary Catherine Lesman, aged 43.

Near Smithville, Jefferson county, at his son's residence, Saturday, May 10th, Robert Muzzy, aged 78 years.

The deceased was brother of Rev. L. Muzzy of this village.

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The dates printed at the right of Subscribers' names in the address on the margin of the Independent show the time to which their subscriptions have been paid, but do not include the paper of that date.

REV. E. FISHER, D. D., President of the Theological School at Canton, N. Y., will preach in the Universalist church, in this village, next Sunday, at 2 p. m.

WARNING.—A case has just been decided in Delaware county, in which a subscriber to the Franklin Register was compelled to pay the full amount claimed and costs, because he did not pay arrears when he sent back his paper to be stopped.

FARMERS' INSURANCE COMPANY.—The Oswego County Farmers' Insurance Company of Sandy Creek elected the following officers, on the 15th inst.:

President, James A. Clark; 1st Vice-President, Thomas Kingsford; 2d Vice-President, W. S. Nelson; Secretary, P. M. Newton; General Agent, Henry L. Howe; Executive Committee, J. H. Clark, H. E. Root, A. S. Warner, L. H. Conklin, O. R. Earl, Auditing Committee, Geo. M. Case, H. J. Daggett, W. T. Tift.

This Company insures only dwelling houses and farm buildings, and having a paid up capital of \$100,000, will command confidence. The people of Oswego county especially should patronize it. Policies are expected to be issued about the first of June. The officers are well known for their energy, judgment and reliability.

SCHOOL COMMISSIONER'S NOTICE.—A Teachers Association will be held at the following places:

School house, Dist. No. 3, Redfield, Tuesday, June 3d.
School house, Dist. No. 8, Boylston, Thursday, June 5th.
School house, Dist. No. 9, Sandy Creek, Saturday, June 7th.
School house, Dist. No. 6, Williams-town, Tuesday, June 10th.
School house, Dist. No. 4, Orwell, Thursday, June 12th.
School house, Dist. No. 7, Richland, Saturday, June 14th.
School house, Dist. No. 4, Albion, Tuesday, June 17th.
School house, Dist. No. 8, Mexico, Saturday, June 21st.

Teachers will please make an effort to attend one or more of these meetings. Exercises commence at 9 o'clock.

J. W. LADD,
Com. 3d Dist., Oswego Co.
Mexico, May 17th, 1873.

DIED. March 1st, 1873, of grief and disappointment, without even a hope of restoration, that well known and venerable institution, the Mexico Lounging Club, resulting from the marriage of its youthful president. Notwithstanding the Club all knew of their president's gallantry, his admiration, love and respect for the fair sex, they were altogether unprepared to learn that Cupid had been playing such mischief with his tender susceptibilities, and that their beloved president would succumb to him and fall beneath his unerring shaft; that unknown to any other member of the Club, he should so far forget or ignore his official obligations to its members as to permit matrimony, and with one word of apology, or apparent conscientious scruple, annihilate an organization of so much importance, is certainly strange even in modern laxity of moral principle. But in this it will be readily seen that the unfortunate, rejected treasurer has his revenge upon the Club. They are no more. It would certainly seem that with ordinary foresight the Club should have discovered the propensity or predilection of their president, and not have thrown out their would-be treasurer, who could and would have saved them in their hour of need.

Nevertheless, its dispersed and sorrowing members, together with its rejected treasurer, send their most heartfelt congratulations both to bridegroom and bride, with many good wishes that a happy and perpetual honeymoon may be theirs. It only remains for Uncle O. and Uncle M., and F., and others, to restrain all undue hopes of matrimonial happiness, and reconcile themselves, as best they may, to the loss of their Club organization and the absence of their genial president.

THE CLUB.

NEW MEAT AND VEGETABLE MARKET.—William Sherman has just opened a meat and vegetable market in the post-office basement, where can be found all kinds of meats and vegetables, similar to what can be obtained in city markets. He has now for sale lettuce, radishes, pie-plant, etc. He killed an ox on Monday, which when dressed weighed 800 lbs., and we can testify to the tenderness of the meat, having received a nice roast out of which we had good natured all the week.

PERSONAL.—Superintendent Chapman, of the Insurance Department, has appointed ex-District Attorney Nutting, one of the counsel for the Insurance Department, the duty being to examine and report on bonds, mortgages and such paying papers, and the title to such real estate as may be offered to the department as security for policy holders by life or health insurance companies and in relation to agencies of such companies. The appointment was a complete surprise and high compliment to Mr. Nutting, he never having thought of the position nor been consulted in regard to it. *—Osw. Times.*

DRESSMAKING.—The undersigned would inform the ladies of Mexico and vicinity that she has opened a Dressmaking shop over L. G. Ballard's store, where she will do sewing, and also work for children. H. J. HAKES,
Mexico, May 20, 1873.

A WORD FOR THE WHIRLPOOL WASHING MACHINE.—Mr. Jacob Kendall, one of the most reliable and respected citizens of Volney, in a letter to us dated the 29th ult., says:

"We are now ready to render a verdict on the Whirlpool Washer, having had it nearly two years. Mrs. Kendall and Mrs. Crane say that if they could not get another to replace it, they would give Thirty Dollars for the one we have."

We receive similar testimony from many others, which, of course, cannot but be pleasing to us. We have three on hand that have been used two or three times, which we will sell at a reduced price.

The Local Prohibition Bill.

The Local Prohibition bill has passed both houses, and awaits the Governor's action.

It provides, sec. 1, for a vote of the electors at the next general election (and in any year after 1874, at charter and town elections) whether intoxicating liquors, by whatever name called, shall be sold or given away as a beverage in their respective towns or cities.

Sec. 2. Inspectors shall have a separate box for ballots to be endorsed "Local Prohibition," and to contain inside, "For" or "Against."

Sec. 3. The returns to be sent to the city or town clerk, who shall make a record thereof.

Sec. 4. The rules governing ordinary elections shall govern in deciding the qualifications of electors.

Sec. 5. When the vote is for prohibition, the decision shall be operative in thirty days.

Sec. 6. Provides for a re-consideration of the vote at any election subsequent to a decision, on a written request from an ascertained majority of the electors of the locality, to the Mayor or Justices of the Peace, made eight weeks before the ensuing election.

Sec. 7. In towns voting for prohibition, agents giving bonds satisfactory to the County Judge, may sell liquor for medicinal, chemical, or sacramental purposes, but in no case to minors or others to whom they shall be duly notified not to sell. A proper record of sales to be kept.

Sec. 8. Makes it the duty of all town officers, clerical, or lay, to know any in the habit of becoming intoxicated, residing in the town where prohibition has been voted, to notify the agents of the fact, and the sale to any such person of intoxicating liquors, or any person named by a wife, husband, father, mother or guardian, shall be a misdemeanor punishable by law.

Sec. 9. Penalty for violating the act, \$100; second offense, \$200 or imprisonment for 90 days. The sale of a liquor having the appearance of the prohibited article shall be deemed to be what is prohibited. The cost of prosecution to be paid out of the fine imposed to the extent of one half. Sales in original packages or by order of the court to persons authorized to sell or for shipment is permitted.

Sec. 10. No license granted in one town shall be operative in another.

The above bill was voted by the Governor on Tuesday. The Assembly sustained the veto by a vote of 52 to 60.

STRIKING BARGAINS

Are obtained every day by hundreds of people who visit the perfectly immense

DRY GOODS HOUSE

OF

N. PETERS, BRO. & SON,

Cor. Pond and Lodi Sts., Syracuse, N. Y.

THE DRESS GOODS STOCK.

Comprises every novelty of the season, at

marvelously Low Prices.

The Shawl Stock has everything stylish

and seasonable at special figures for close buyers.

The Fancy Goods Stock is a perfect

bazar of beautiful nick-nacks for the ladies, very much cheaper than elsewhere.

The Millinery Stock has the choicest

productions of French and British skill and genius, which are sold at Retail at Wholesale Prices.

Everything for thrifty housekeepers at Economical Rates.

The Domestic Stock groans under a

load of the best fabrics of American industry and enterprise, at a Saving in Prices which purchasers will appreciate.

The Clothing and Clothing Stock has been carefully selected from the best

products of domestic and foreign manufacturers, and is offered at prices which will meet the expectations of Good Judges of Goods. The house employs a first-class cutter.

Percales—nearly yard wide, cut from

pieces, beautiful styles, at 12½ cents per yard.

Sprague's Calicoes—remnants, nine

cents per yard, a bargain.

The Entire Establishment contains a

very much greater variety of goods than can be found in any Store in Syracuse, and offers Unusual, Extraordinary and Special Inducements to closest buyers who visit this market.

Close comparison and examination invited! A saving in many kinds of goods of twenty-five per cent! Parasols at bargains!

To reach the store easily, take the

North Salina (First Ward) street cars, and tell the conductor to let you off at "Peters' store. Ten minutes ride.

29-4f N. PETERS, BRO. & SON.

TEACHERS' ASSOCIATION.—The teachers

of the town of Hastings will hold an association at Central Square, May 30th, 1873.

Order of exercises:

9:30 A. M.—Reading, Miss Carrie

Burns. 10:30 A. M.—Arithmetic, A. L. Hall. 1:30 P. M.—Grammar, Miss J. A. Barker. Essay, Miss Grace Wood.

2:45 P. M.—Spelling, E. P. Robinson; miscellaneous business.

Associations will also be held in other towns as follows:

Parish, May 21; Amboy, May 23;

Constantia, May 26; West Monroe, May 28; Palermo, May 31; Schreppel, June 7.

It is expected that every teacher teaching in the 24 Commissioner district will attend one or more of these associations.

W. B. HOWARD, Com.

DISSOLUTION OF PARTNERSHIP.—The co-partnership heretofore existing under the firm name of Baker & Bows, is this day dissolved by mutual consent. Accounts settled by either one of the late firm.

G. W. BAKER,

R. BEWS.

Mexico, April 29, 1873. 28-3v.

NEW MILLINERY STORE.—Mrs. Frank

Carpenter and Miss Kittie Wilder have opened a Millinery Store at the residence of Mrs. Carpenter, on Main St. They have on hand a fine stock of Spring and Summer Goods, and make Straw work a specialty.

W. B. HOWARD, Com.

Mexico, May 14, 1873.

COAL.

The following are the prices for coal:

GRATE, \$3.25

EGG, 8.75

STOVE, 8.50

CHESTNUT, 8.50

CHARCOAL (per bushel), 2.00

All coal must be paid for when delivered.

W. PENFIELD.

—Fulton is going to vote on a special tax to buy a fire alarm.

Real Estate Sales.

William Briggs conveys to Maria Rhines, one-fourth of an acre in Hastings; Consideration, \$400; Deed dated May, 1873.

Henry H. Lyman, sheriff, to Andrew S. Warner, 153 1-10 acres in Richland \$6,000; May, 1873.

Isaac Pierce to Joseph W. Lawton, 4 acres in Mexico, \$1,400; April, 1873.

David Garber to Nathan P. Stanton, 126½ acres in Amboy, \$5,000; April 1873.

Nathan P. Stanton to David Garber, 4½ acres in Amboy, \$550; April, 1873.

Julia Jennings to Calvin Jennings, 98 acres in Albion, \$700; May, 1873.

Dorcas Quin to George W. Johnson, 16 91-100 acres in Hastings, 950; March 31 1873.

Ann E. Brockway to David Hogan, lot in Parish, \$100; February, 1873.

Willis C. Johnson, Executor of the last will and testament of Hiram Manger deceased, to Isaac F. Seamen, 71 acres in Palermo, \$2,400; March, 1873.

Horace Pierce to Margaret Murray, 157 13-100 acres in Mexico, \$3,420; November, 1872.

Peter M. Suydam and Henry Suydam, executors of the last will and testament of John Suydam, deceased, to Bridget Thomas, 31 37-100 acres in Palermo, \$100; September, 1872.

George W. Baker to Vanholan Walton the undivided ½ of 31 7-25 rods in Mexico, \$2,300; April, 1873.

David Lester and Cassius C. Lester to David J. Lester, ½ acre in Mexico. \$1; April, 1873.

James Pennycook to Mary F. Harding, 55½ acres in Amboy, \$1; March, 1873.

PARISH.

Farmers are busy at spring's work; of course we have no time to write long articles.

The Doctor and Elder have bridged the chasm across the South Branch between Hastings and Parish, and the people of both places are now shaking hands. It is needless to say it is a Baptist Elder who has been out and in the water around the bridges. Everybody knows that the Baptists naturally take to the purifying water, and hence the safety of their being employed. The Doctor knows what is what. He is not altogether "green" at all times. Our Baptist brethren will take no offence when anything is said about water—they believe in purity, and they also believe that in purity there is safety, and hence purity is a safe bridge to the evergreen shore.

Our esteemed friend, A. H. Morse, has become a benedict again. The Scyulers are great in forming impressions upon sensitive (sensible) objects. Hearts are wonderful cameras, and they are likewise excellent plates on which to make indelible spiritual impressions. Keep still, friend Morse, for this written on that renowned "fool's-cap."

Mr. O. F. Rider now invites people to ride in new omnibuses to and from the depot. It is Miller's make of Mexico, and of course the Mexicans, especially, will want to spend some dimes in enjoying their own make.

As Mr. W. H. Taylor was unloading a car at the depot a few days since the work train came along and so frightened the team that they ran away, Mr. Taylor, trying to catch the team, and by some means he was knocked down and the wagon ran over him longwise from the shoulder to his limbs. He was severely injured, Dr. Green was immediately called, and the prospects are he will recover.

Mr. J. B. Spicer, who was so severely injured last winter is around again. He has resumed the superintending of the Methodist Sunday School and his place in the Church.

Rev. Warren Woolson has removed to North Bay, Onondaga county. ODD.

Parish, May 16, 1873.

THE WATERS CONCERTO PARLOR ORGAN.

—We are glad to chronicle any new thing, or any improvement upon an old one, that tends to popularize music by rendering its study either easier or more attractive. Lately our attention has been called to a new patented stop added to the Waters Reed organ, called the "concerto stop." It is so voiced as to have a tone like a full, rich alto voice; it is especially "human" in its tone. It is powerful as well as sweet; and when we heard it we were in doubt whether we liked it best in solo or with full organ. We regard this as a valuable addition to the reed organ, and advise those intending to purchase such an instrument to buy the "concerto." Warehouses, 481 Broadway. *—Rural New-Yorker.*

J. R. Norton has just returned from New York with the best stock of Dry Goods ever in Mexico. 27

—Shawls! Shawls! Shawls!

At Norton's.

—As usual, Norton has the best stock of Shawls ever in town.

—Best stock of Parasols in Mexico is at Norton's.

—Every grade of Kid Gloves at Norton's.

—4-4, 5-4, 6-4, 8-4 Oil Cloth Carpeting, at Norton's.

NEW FARM WAGON.—For sale, one two-horse Lumber Wagon, cheap for cash, or in exchange for dry cows or heifers. Inquire of THORNBURGE & PECK, Mexico, May 7, 1873.

EXCITEMENT AT DRUG STORES.—There has been a general rush the last month at the Drug Store of J. C. Taylor, for Dr. A. Bosche's German Syrup.

It has lately been introduced in this country from Germany, and for any person suffering with a severe cough, heavy cold settled on the breast, consumption or any disease of the throat and lungs, it has no equal in the world. Our regular size bottles are 75 cents. Two doses will relieve any case. Try it.

C. W. SNOW & CO., Wholesale Agents, Syracuse, N. Y.

Spring has come again, and with it came a new and large invoice of Ballard's wonderful Dollar-Jap. Tea. Go at once and get a pound. 19

A large stock of Picture Frames at greatly reduced prices. Also Stereoscopes and Stereoscopic Views, at Beals' Picture Gallery, Mexico. Call and examine them. 20

Commemorative Service.

In accordance with the suggestion of the Commander of the Grand Army of the Republic, a union religious service will be held in the Presbyterian church in this village on Sabbath evening next, at 7½ o'clock. The pastor, Rev. Jas. P. Stratton, will preach a sermon appropriate to the occasion. This service is intended to be preparatory to the exercises of Decoration Day, and therefore, it is hoped that the Veterans and the public generally will be in attendance.

Notice to Veterans.

All soldiers and sailors who served in the late rebellion are requested to meet at Engine Hall, in this village, on Tuesday evening next, at 7½ o'clock, as matters of great importance are to be brought before the meeting.

A LARGE QUANTITY OF OATS WANTED AT THE TORONTO MILLS.
29 A. C. THOMAS.

Collector's Notice.

Notice is hereby given to the taxable inhabitants of the village of Mexico that I, the undersigned, Collector of Taxes in and for said Village, have received the warrant for the collection of taxes for the present year, and that I will be at said Village, on Main St., every day (Sundays excepted) for 15 days from date, from 9 a. m. to 4 p. m., for the purpose of receiving the payment of taxes.

JOHN BENNETT.

Mexico, May 22, 1873.

Catechism.

A family on Steuben street have almost concluded to do their own work. They did feel like hiring a domestic, but when a girl came to make inquiries about the place, they got almost discouraged. The following questions were actually asked by one applicant:

Do you want a girl?

How much do you give?

How many are there in the family?

How many ladies?

How many gentlemen?

Is the washing large?

How many shirts are there in the wash?

Do you have many white dresses in the wash?

Do you have gas in the kitchen?

Is there a basement kitchen?

Is there water in the kitchen?

Can I go to church twice on Sunday?

Why did your last girl leave?

Does the lady of the house attend to the rest of the housework on washing and ironing days?

Will I have to wait on the table?

Are there many children?

Does the lady of the house do the fine cooking?

We believe the girl was not engaged, and of course there has been a great deal of laugh over these questions, and yet the girl may have been wise. No business man would think of making an engagement until he knew definitely as to its every feature. We believe the girl who carefully studied the team, and who was expected to do would be likely to be pleased herself and to please others, if she had accepted the place. We say accepted the place because it is harder for money to get good servant girls than it is for servant girls to get money. Generally girls go into families without much idea how much work they are to do, and mutual dissatisfaction between mistress and maid results. Of course it is highly improper for a poor girl who never had a Saratoga trunk in her life to question a wealthy matron, but it is sensible. *—Union Herald.*

Newspaper Postage.

At the meeting of newspaper publishers in Rochester, on the 16th, Mr. Cleveland, from the Committee on Resolutions, offered the following which was adopted:

Resolved, As the unanimous conviction of this assemblage of editors and publishers, that the change in the postal laws which cuts off the free conveyance in the mails of newspapers within the counties where they are published, is one that bears unfavorably and unkindly upon the rural press of the country. Of course it is highly improper for a poor girl who never had a Saratoga trunk in her life to question a wealthy matron, but it is sensible. *—Union Herald.*

Resolved, That the publishers of newspapers in this country be requested to petition the post-office department (for that the charge of postage on such papers will increase very largely the post-office revenue); and as it is a provision of law of long standing, nowhere complained of, and universally approved by the people, because all parts of the country share its benefits alike, we regard its restoration as demanded by the desires of the people and promotive of their interests.

The editors and publishers of the country are not unwilling to bear their full and just proportion of all public burdens; but we cannot regard it just, nor consistent with the interests of the people, that the same price should be charged for the distribution of papers at the village post-office where the paper is printed, that is exacted for transportation thousands of miles.

Discussion followed in regard to the free circulation of exchanges, and a resolution was offered to the effect that Congress be petitioned to repeal the law which now forbids such free circulation.

The resolution was objected to and withdrawn, because, while it would benefit the public, it might be regarded as specially in the interest of newspaper proprietors.

CARPETS.—The largest line of Carpets ever offered in Mexico can be found at BECKER BROS.

At the annual meeting of the Mexico Fire Brigade, May 20, 1873, the following officers were elected:—F. B. Gregory, Chief; John Berry, 2nd Assistant Chief; H. H. Dobson, Secretary; S. L. Alexander, Treasurer.

The following are the prices paid for farmers produce, in this market:

Flour, (retail) Spr'g \$9.00, red \$10.00, white \$11.25

Meal, ½ cwt, (retail) 1.40

Corn, 35 @ 40

Butter, 18 @ 23

Loose Butter, 10 @ 15

Cheese, 10 @ 14

Eggs, ½ doz, 15

Beef, ½ lb, 6 @ 10

Pork, ½ cwt, 8 @ 10

Apples, (dried), ½ lb, 6 @ 7

Ham, ½ lb, 9 @ 15

Dried Poultry, ½ lb, 10 @ 12

Potatoes, ½ bush, 30 @ 60

BRIEFS.

—Mind your own business.

—Make your homes beautiful and then spend your leisure time there.

—If you have new clothes next Sunday, be sure to go to church late.

—Fulton has laid the foundation for a 4th of July celebration.

—The mother's heart gives 4th joy at the baby's 1st 2th.

—Seven o'clock in the morning is now the fashionable hour for weddings.

—Work on Oswego harbor will be resumed July 1st.

—The Court House and jail at Pulaski have been repaired and painted.

—Postal cards written in French are the latest dodge. P. O. clerks cannot read them.

—We thank the lady who sent us the violets on Tuesday. May her life be as happy as they were fragrant.

—We are indebted to J. B. Parker, Esq., for copies of the New London (Ohio) Record.

—An employe of the Syracuse North-eastern railroad named John Hiss had his right leg crushed at Liverpool on Friday.

—Mr. Edwin Ames, sen., has raised the roof of his house, making it two stories high. A fine improvement.

—Dr. A. L. West left home yesterday for Camden, where he intends to practice for some time.

—Short-hand writers are able to get 700 words on a postal card, and thus cheat the Government before its face.

